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Title: ~~NANOCOMPOSITES WITH
ACTIVATED INTERFACES
PREPARED BY MECHANICAL
GRINDING OF MAGNESIUM
HYDRIDES AND USE FOR
HYDROGEN STORAGE~~Appl. No.: ~~09/529,910~~Filing Date: ~~6/28/2000~~Examiner: ~~Unassigned~~ IPArt Unit: ~~1745-1742~~RECEIVED
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GROUP 1700INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENTCommissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Submitted herewith on Form PTO-1449 is a listing of documents known to Applicants in order to comply with Applicants' duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56. A copy of each listed document is being submitted to comply with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

The submission of any document herewith, which is not a statutory bar, is not intended as an admission that such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application or is considered to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b). Applicants do not waive any rights to take any action which would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove as a competent reference any document which is determined to be a prima facie prior art reference against the claims of the present invention.

CONCISE EXPLANATION OF
RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT



Documents A1-A3, A5, A6, A8 and A9 came to Applicants' attention during the prosecution of the corresponding international application. A copy of the international search report setting forth the portion of each reference considered relevant by the examiner is attached.

The relevance of Documents A4 and A7 is cited in the specification.

The listed documents are being submitted in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b), before the mailing of the first Office Action on the merits.

Applicants respectfully request that the listed documents be considered by the Examiner and formally be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO-1449 be returned in accordance with MPEP § 609.

Respectfully submitted,

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